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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009–10 REGULAR SESSION

## **ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1824**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Monning**

February 11, 2010

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An act to amend Section 25210 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to hazardous materials.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1824, as amended, Monning. Hazardous materials: toxic chemicals: sewage systems.

(1) The Hazardous Waste Control Law prohibits the use of a nonbiodegradable toxic chemical in a chemical toilet, recreational vehicle, or waste facility of a vessel and the sale of a nonbiodegradable toxic chemical in a container indicating that the chemical could be used in a chemical toilet, waste facility of a recreational vehicle, or waste facility of a vessel. A violation of the hazardous waste control law is a crime.

This bill would additionally prohibit the use and sale of a chemical that is detrimental to a sewage disposal system for those purposes. The bill would list those chemicals that are detrimental to a sewage disposal system and would authorize the department to adopt regulations that identify additional chemicals determined to be detrimental to a sewage disposal system. Because the bill would include additional chemicals in the prohibition against sale or use, this bill would enlarge the scope of a crime, thereby imposing a state-mandated local program.

(2) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.

State-mandated local program: yes.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 25210 of the Health and Safety Code is  
2 amended to read:

3 25210. (a) (1) A person shall not use a nonbiodegradable toxic  
4 chemical or a chemical that is detrimental to a sewage disposal  
5 system in a chemical toilet, a recreational vehicle, or a waste  
6 facility of a vessel, as defined in Section 651 of the Harbors and  
7 Navigation Code.

8 (2) A person shall not sell a nonbiodegradable toxic chemical  
9 or a chemical that is detrimental to a sewage disposal system in a  
10 container that indicates that the chemical could be used in a  
11 chemical toilet, a waste facility of a recreational vehicle, or a waste  
12 facility of a vessel, as defined in Section 651 of the Harbors and  
13 Navigation Code.

14 (3) The department shall develop and adopt regulations to define  
15 nonbiodegradable toxic chemicals *and to set limitations on the*  
16 *sale of those chemicals.*

17 (b) For purposes of this section, a chemical that is detrimental  
18 to a sewage disposal system means either of the following:

19 (1) Any of the following chemicals:

20 (A) 2-bromo-2-nitropropane-1,3-diol, commonly known as  
21 bronopol.

22 (B) 1-(3-chlorallyl)-3,5,7-triaza-1-azoniaadamantane chloride,  
23 commonly known as dowicil.

24 (C) Formaldehyde.

25 (D) Glutaraldehyde.

26 (E) Para-formaldehyde.

27 (F) Para-dichlorobenzene.

28 (2) (A) In addition to the chemicals specified in paragraph (1),  
29 a chemical identified by the department as being detrimental to a

1 sewage disposal system, in regulations that may be adopted by the  
2 department.

3 (B) For purposes of this section, “sewage disposal system” has  
4 the same meaning as defined in paragraph (3) of subdivision (a)  
5 of Section 25210.1.

6 (c) The regulations adopted by the department pursuant to  
7 paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) may limit or prohibit the use or  
8 sale of a chemical detrimental to a sewage disposal system in a  
9 product used for a chemical toilet, a recreational vehicle, or a waste  
10 facility of a vessel, as defined in Section 651 of the Harbors and  
11 Navigation Code.

12 *(d) This article does not limit, supersede, duplicate, or otherwise*  
13 *conflict with the authority of the department to fully implement*  
14 *Article 14 (commencing with Section 25251), including the*  
15 *authority of the department to include products in a product*  
16 *registry established pursuant to the regulations adopted in*  
17 *accordance with that article. Notwithstanding subdivision (c) of*  
18 *Section 25257.1, a chemical product intended for use in a chemical*  
19 *toilet, recreational vehicle, or waste facility of a vessel shall not*  
20 *be considered as a product category already regulated or subject*  
21 *to pending regulation for purposes of Article 14 (commencing with*  
22 *Section 25251).*

23 SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to  
24 Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because  
25 the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school  
26 district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or  
27 infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty  
28 for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of  
29 the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within  
30 the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California  
31 Constitution.